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Dear Shacklewell Families,

re: Amber Weather Warning

I am writing to inform you that the Met Office has issued an Amber Heat Health Alert from today, Wednesday 8th July for the remainder of this week. Our absolute priority remains the health, safety and well-being of our children, families and staff. While we are closely monitoring the forecasted high temperatures, the school will maintain its normal opening hours throughout this week. We believe that by implementing rigorous safety measures on-site, we can keep the children cool and comfortable without disrupting the regular school day.

To ensure the children stay well-hydrated and safe during their hours with us, we have implemented the following measures across the school:

- Reduced Time Outside: We will continue to have break and lunch time at the usual hours but will be carefully monitoring the children and will adjust the plans for each session accordingly. These protocols are similar to those used during wet play.
- Water Stations: Dedicated water stations have been set up around the school building so children can easily and frequently refill their bottles.

To help us keep your children comfortable during the they can::

- Wear PE uniform: we are relaxing the school's uniform code for the remainder of this week. Children do not need to wear their full school uniform and should be dressed to feel comfortable in the heat.
- Pack a refillable water bottle.
- Apply high-factor sun cream before arriving at school.
- Bring a sun hat for any brief periods spent outdoors.

We will continue to track the weather conditions and government advice very closely. If the situation escalates or if we are advised to make any additional considerations, we will contact you as soon as we can. Thank you for your continued understanding, flexibility and cooperation as we navigate these unusual summer conditions together.

Please stay safe and keep cool.

Rory McGrath
Headteacher